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SUBJ: WDIWY: POLITICALIZATION INCREASES AS CONFERENCE NEARS END

1. HIGHLIGHTS: POLITICALIZATION ENGULFED THE CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY. CERDS AND ELIMINATION OF ZIONISM WERE AFFIRMED BY LARGE MAJORITIES IN DRAFT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AD SERIES OF RESOLUTIONS UNSATISFACTORY TO U.S. WERE ADOPTED IN COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT, PANAMA CANAL, AND AID TO VIET-NAM. IN ADDITION, PLENARY SESSIONS, AFTER ADOPTING REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE WITHOUT DISCUSSION, SPENT REMAINDER OF DAY AND EVENING ARGUING OVER DRAFT REPORT OF CONFERENCE, WHICH ALLOWED SURFACING OF SINO-SOVIET POLEMICS, AS WELL AS REFERENCE TO ZIONISM AND OTHER INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY RE-OCCUPATIONS.

2. FIRST COMMITTEE, DRAFT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES: IN LATER AFTERNOON SESSION, COMMITTEE BEGAN CONSIDERATION OF JOINT U.S.-U.K.-FRG DRAFT AND G-77'S. AFTER INTRODUCTION EACH TEXT ALGERIA MOVED FOR CLOSURE OF DEBATE, SECONDED BY YUGOSLAVIA. U.K. AND U.S. BOTH URGED FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS TO CONSTRUCT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DRAFT AGREEABLE TO ALL AND OPPOSED CLOSURE OF DEBATE. CLOSURE APPROVED BY GOOD MARGIN.

3. ALGERIA THEN PROPOSED VOTING PRIORITY FOR G-77

DRAFT AND THIS WAS AGREED 68-5(U.S.)-18. AFTER MINOR AMENDMENT TO G-77 TEXT BY NORWAY WAS APPROVED, U.S. REQUESTED SEPARATE VOTE ON PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPHS 8, 11, AND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS 24 AND 26 DEALING WITH ZIONISM, AS WELL AS PARAGRAPHS 18 ON CERDS AND 19 ON NATIONALIZATION. EGYPT SUGGESTED WORD "ZIONISM" BE VOTED ON INSTEAD OF WHOLE PARAGRAPH. THUS, SINGLE VOTE TAKEN ON ALL FOUR REFERENCES TO ZIONISM AND ADOPTED 59-19(U.S.) TO 25. PARAGRAPHS A WHOLE THEN ADOPTED 68-14(U.S.) TO 17 ABSTENTIONS.

4. PARAGRAPHS ON CERDS AND NATIONALIZATION (OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS 18 AND 199 WERE THEN ADOPTED BY EQUALLY LARGE MAJORITIES. G-77 DRAFT DECLARATION WAS THEN ADOPTED AS A WHOLE 89-1(ISRAEL) TO 14(U.S.). (U.S. DEL ABSTAINED FOR TACTICAL REASONS BECAUSE U. AND FRG HAD INSTRUCTION TO DO SO; WE DID NOT WISH TO UNDULY ALIENATE CERTAIN G-77 DELS UNTIL OTHER RESOLUTIONS AND PLAN OF ACTION ADOPTED, AND WE COULD CHANGE VOTE WEDNESDAY IN PLENARY IF NECESSARY.)

5. IN SECOND COMMITTEE, SERIES OF POLITICAL RESOLUTIONS (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED) WERE INTRODUCED BY CO-SPONSORS, GIVEN SUPPORT BY SEVERAL NON-ALIGNED OR EE DELS, AND ADOPTED BY LARGE MARGINS. HANDLED IN THIS MANNER WERE EAST GERMAN DRAFT ON DISARMAMENT AND PEACE (ADOPTED 58-1 (PRC) TO 28 (U.S.) ABSTENTIONS; ALGERIAN DRAFT ON PALESTINIAN WOMEN (71-3 (U.S.) WITH 34 ABSTENTIONS); AND NON-ALIGNED DRAFT ON AID TO VIET-NAM (91-0-7 (U.S.). ALSO ADOPTED WAS PHILLIPPINES DRAFT ENCOURAGING ENHANCED STATUS OF WOMEN IN PEACE AND DISARMAMENT (BY CONSENSUS).

6. CHILEAN DRAFT RES ON CHILE WAS AMENDED AT INSISTENCE OF FRG AND U.K. SO THAT REVISED OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 READ, "DEMANDS THAT THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES IMMEDIATELY ABSTAIN FROM ANY POLITICAL EXECUTIONS, TORTURE, PERSECUTION, AND DENIAL OF LIBERTY AND JOBS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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WHICH CONTINUE TO BE REPORTED, AS THESE PRACTICES CONSTITUTE FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH ARE THE HERITAGE OF CIVILIZATION." CHILEAN REP DID NOT ASK FOR VOTE BUT ANNOUNCED IT WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN CONSENSUS. WELL BEFORE VOTE, U.S. DEL TOLD CHILEANS IT WOULD ABSTAIN IF VOTE TAKEN, BUT FRG WORKED HARD TO CONVINCE CHILEANS THEY SHOULD NOT INSIST ON VOTE SINCE IT WOULD HARM CHILEAN INTEREST BY DEMONSTRATING DIMINISHED MARGIN COMPARED TO UNGA VOTE.

7. ON PANAMA CANAL, PANAMANIAN (YAU) LED OFF WITH IMPASSIONED SPEECH OUTLINING (FOR THIRD TIME DURING

CONFERENCE) PANAMA'S GRIEVANCES AGAINST U.S. U.S. REP (AMB. WHITE) AGAIN DREW ON MAY 10 JOING STATEMENT AND EMPHASIZED, SINCE ISSUE ALREADY UNDER BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS, IT UNNECESSARY AND INAPPROPRIATE FOR CONFERENCE TO TAKE UP QUESTION. (SEVERAL DELS COMMENTED LATER THAT U.S. STATEMENT MOVED THEM FROM YES TO ABSTENTION.) RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN COMMITTEE 58 TO ZERO WITH HEALTHY 41 ABSTENTIONS.

8. U.S. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS URGING PARTICIPATION OF MORE WOMEN IN UN SECRETARIAT AND IN NATIONAL DELEGATIONS TO UN MEETINGS WERE ADOPTED AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION IN COMMITTEE. HOWEVER, IN COMMITTEE I, NON-ALIGNED HAD INTRODUCED SIMILAR RES WITH PREAMBULAR REFERENCES TO CERDS AND NIEO. COMMITTEE ONE ADOPTED NON-ALIGNED DRAFT NOTWITHSTANDING ADOPTION OF U.S. TEXTS IN OTHER COMMITTEE. DUPLICATION WILL BE SORTED OUT WEDNESDAY.

9. IN PLENARY, DEBATE DOMINATED BY EFFORT OF PRC TO INJECT LANGUAGE ON SUPER-POWERS, ETC., INTO SECRETARIAT DRAFT REPORT OF CONFERENCE TO ECOSOC. THIS STIMULATED OTHER DELS WITH AXES TO GRIND TO SUGGEST OWN LANGUAGE. CONFUSED AND LENGTHY DEBATE FOLLOWED FOR OVER FIVE HOURS. AS A RESULT TWO-THIRDS RULE, PRC STATEMENT ON "SUPER-POWERS HEGEMONY" NOT REPEAT NOT INCLUDED IN REPORT. HOWEVER, CUBAN PROPOSAL ON CHILE CARRIED BY 44-3-48(U.S.).

10. U.S. DEL REMAINS HOPEFUL THAT DRAFT WORLD PLAN OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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ACTION WHICH HAS ALREADY CLEARED COMMITTEE WILL BE ADOPTED IN PLENARY WEDNESDAY (FINAL DAY OF WCIWY) WITHOUT BEING SUBJECTED TO POLITICALIZATION. THIS WOULD BE MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT OF CONFERENCE IN US DEL VIEW. HOWEVER, MOMENTUM OF NON-ALIGNED HAS CLEARLY SURGED TODAY AND PARLIAMENTARY STEAMROLLER HAS BEEN MUCH IN EVIDENCE WITH OUTCOME WEDNESDAY STILL UNCERTAIN.
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